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In re the Application of: **Takayasu TANIGUCHI et al.**

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2009. The response date having been extended by three months to October 1, 2009 by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith.

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